

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1           1. (previously presented) A method of making a spun-  
2 bond web comprising the steps of:

- 3           (a) forming filaments of thermoplastic synthetic resin;  
4           (b) collecting said filaments in a spun-bond web;  
5           (c) precompacting the spun-bond web with a calender;  
6           (d) treating said filaments the precompacted spun-bond  
7 web with a wetting agent; and  
8           (e) [[d)] thereafter hydrodynamically consolidating  
9 said spun-bond web.

1           2. (original) The method defined in claim 1 wherein  
2 said filaments are produced with a spinnerette and are then cooled.

1           3. (original) The method defined in claim 2 wherein  
2 said filaments are collected on a continuously moved foraminous  
3 belt.

1           4. (original) The method defined in claim 3, further  
2 comprising drawing air through said belt from below said belt in a  
3 region at which said filaments are collected on said belt with at  
4 least one suction device.

1           5. (original) The method defined in claim 4 wherein  
2       said filaments are treated with said wetting agent after the  
3       filaments have been collected into a spun-bond web on said belt.

1           6. (original) The method defined in claim 5 wherein  
2       said wetting agent is a surfactant.

1           7. (original) The method defined in claim 6 wherein  
2       said spun-bond web is hydrodynamically consolidated by training  
3       water jets thereon.